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l. Basis of the report

The basis of this international preliminary examination is the application as originally filed.

Reasoned statement under Rule 66.2(a)(ii) with regard to novelty, inventive step or ٧. industrial applicability

In light of the documents cited in the international search report, it is considered that the invention as defined in the claims meets the criteria mentioned in Article 33 (1) PCT, i.e. it appears to be novel, to involve an inventive step and to be industrially applicable.